

# LOCAL NEWS.

Board of Supervisors meet July 11th.

Peninsula Fair, Tasley, Va., August 5, 6, 7, 8.

Children's day will be observed at Zion Baptist Church, next Sunday morning, 11 o'clock.

Mr. Edwin B. Melson, of Philadelphia, is home on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Levin T. Melson, Accomac C. H.

The Misses LeCato, daughters of Capt. A. Browne LeCato, are at Accomac C. H., the guest of their aunt, Mrs. Lynn F. Taylor.

A fair will be held at Hallwood, Wednesday, July 23d, beginning at 1 p. m. Supper and refreshments will be served. Proceeds for benefit of Baptist Church at that place.

The trial of the case of the Commonwealth against the election officers of Chincoteague, in progress since Tuesday, had not been concluded at the time of going to press.

Mr. Henry Beasley, of Grangeville, leads as a grower of sweet potatoes. One was sent to this office Thursday by him, which would be accepted as a salable potato even in August.

The entertainment of the Presbyterians in the old Masonic Hall, at Accomac C. H. Thursday evening, is reported as one of the best ever given in town. The net receipts were about \$40.

Mr. Jas. H. Feddeman, of the firm of Wm. Deiches & Co., Baltimore, is on the way to see our merchants and proposes to make it to their interest to wait for him. He will offer them his usual grades of fine tobacco and cigars—some of them with the tax off.

An eagle, weighing 10 pounds and measuring 6 feet and 10 inches from tip to tip of wings, was killed by Rev. R. N. Hartness in woods near Locustville on Tuesday last. Mr. Herman Watson also killed one at same time and place, which weighed 7 pounds and measured 6 feet and 10 inches.

Mr. N. P. Wescott, son of Hon. N. K. Wescott, received the degree of A. B. at Randolph-Macon College and the Senior Scholarship Medal, the highest honor of the school, at the session just closed. He was also awarded the debater's medal by the literary society, of which he was a member, at same institution.

Special attention is invited to advertisements in this issue of the following commission merchants: W. G. Peatree, Wm. Heyer and Stewart Fruit Co., all of Baltimore, and V. A. Stewart & Co., New York. All of them are selling agents for the Exchange and deserve the liberal support of the shippers of the Eastern Shore.

The speed program of the Peninsula Fair Association in another column is an attractive one. Large premiums, it will be noted, are offered each day of the Fair and many horses which will compete for them have already been entered. Others still have the privilege of entering their horses who think they have a winner.

Mr. Walter Scott, a young man of near Chincoteague, while amusing himself by jumping off and on a morning train at Tasley Monday, by mistake placed his foot on the rail and a car wheel passed over it and crushed it so badly that it had to be amputated. The operation was performed by Drs. Leathbury and Robinson soon after the accident and he is reported as doing well.

A freight train on the N. Y. P. & N. R. R. line, at a point between Melba and Keller Station, was wrecked by the breaking of an axle on last Sunday morning. Several of the cars were so badly broken up as to be unfit for further use and the railroad bed was so much damaged and obstructed by the cars, that another track had to be laid to prevent delay in the passage of other trains.

The three valuable tracts of land, "Hera Cliffs," "Hungers," and "Harmanson Land," situated near Eastville and Kendall Grove station, Northampton county, Va., and containing 320 acres, 27 1/2 acres and 103 acres, more or less, respectively, are offered for sale at private contract. For terms &c. see Dr. Burleigh C. Kellam, Cape Charles, Va., or L. Floyd Nock, Accomac C. H., Va.

A fair will be held at Craddockville, July 16th, commencing at 1 p. m., under the auspices of the Jr. C. U. A. M. of Craddockville council, which will raise a flag on the school-house at that village on that day. Dr. Geo. H. Ray and Superintendent of schools, G. G. Joyner are expected to speak. A drama will be rendered at night. Supper and refreshments served. All members of the Order of Eastern Shore and public generally invited.

The storm of last week destroyed considerable property in lower Accomac. Among those who suffered most were Mr. L. T. LeCato, of Upshurs Neck, and Mr. Frank S. Smith, near Mappesburg. The carriage house of the former and vehicles were destroyed worth \$400 or more and valuable orchards and shade trees of the latter were blown down, at a loss to him which cannot be estimated. A vessel of Mr. Levin J. Melson, Nantux, was also capsized and greatly damaged by breaking of the mast and otherwise.

## NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES

### Onancock.

Mrs. Eliza Custis, of Baltimore, is in town at home of Mr. Robt. Custis. Our town began its new regime July 1st with N. W. Nock, Mayor.

Mrs. Nannie Handy, of Annapolis, is visiting her sister, Mrs. E. R. Leathbury.

Messrs. Warner and John Ames are home from the University of Va. and Washington and Lee.

Miss Sarah Long, who has been visiting Mrs. George Hopkins, has returned to her home in Easton, Pa.

Mr. E. E. Miles has accepted a position in the General office of the Eastern Shore Produce Exchange at Onley, Va.

Miss Frances L. Taylor will go to Charlottesville Saturday to attend the School of Methods now in session at that city.

Supt. G. G. Joyner will leave Saturday for Charlottesville to be present at the Superintendents' Conference to be held July 7, 8, 9th.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Parker are in Washington to be present at the marriage of their daughter, Miss Charlotte, to Mr. Frank Cushman Wilson, which takes place in St. Pauls Church, July 2nd.

Mr. S. S. Hopkins went to Richmond and brought back Mrs. E. W. Hopkins, Monday night. We are glad to say Mrs. Hopkins is much improved in health, also to report the steady improvement of Mrs. F. D. Parkes.

Rev. J. Scott Meredith returned Thursday from Virginia Beach where he officiated at the marriage of his sister, Miss Nellie Meredith, to Rev. Maxwell Robison. Rev. and Mrs. Robison came with him. Mr. Robison preached a fine sermon Sunday morning in Holy Trinity Church.

### Chincoteague.

Mr. Thomas Post, of New York, is visiting his family at this place. Mrs. Helen Davis has returned from a visit to friends in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Ellen Taylor, widow of Joshua Taylor, deceased, died June 28th, aged 69 years.

Steamer Chincoteague left Wednesday for Wilmington to undergo her annual repairs.

Mr. A. W. Sherritt and family with several friends, of Baltimore, arrived here this week to spend the summer at this cottage on Assateague.

All of the churches on the Island will unite in an out-door meeting on the Atlantic Hotel lawn, commencing next Sunday night. An invitation is extended to all to be present.

Capt. James Lilliston and wife spent some time with us last week. He was here on a prospecting trip with the view of opening up in the hardware and the plumbing business at this place.

Mr. Harry Harris has given up his job as express messenger here to accept a position on street cars in Philadelphia, to the regret of his many friends at this place. Mr. Wm. Hutchinson, of Cambridge, has been appointed as his successor.

Arrivals at Atlantic Hotel this week: J. H. Feddeman, C. L. Ward, J. F. Hudson, S. Speary, C. Dammenburg, J. Johnson, Baltimore; R. F. Powell, Wilmington; C. M. Keeler, Atlantic City; Jas. Lilliston and wife, Norfolk; Wm. Quillen, C. A. Parker, T. W. Taylor, Ocean City; Wm. Hutchinson, Cambridge; Chas. K. Simpson, Milford; I. Uman, Salisbury; A. Hollis, Berlin; C. B. Figgis, Stockton; H. P. Bratton, Harlock; J. W. Atkins, Milton; R. Sheriff, Seaford.

### Onley.

Mrs. Cordie Savage has recovered from laid sickness and is out again.

Mr. Peter East is very sick at his home near Finney's wharf this week.

Miss Mamie McMath is attending the Summer Normal at Charlottesville.

Mrs. O. K. Walker, of Franktown, was the guest of Mrs. Hebard last week.

Mrs. Lena Beachboard returned this week from a visit to relatives in Northampton.

Mr. Herman Watson, formerly of this county, now of Boston, paid our town a visit this week.

Walter, Copes & Bro. received a large shipment of barrel staves at their factory this week.

Mr. Polly Mears, critically ill of late at her home, near Keller, is very much better at this time.

Messrs. J. J. Bailey & Bro., of this place, have added a nice line of furniture to their stock of merchandise.

The barn and stables on the premises occupied by Mr. A. T. Scott, near this place, were blown down and completely wrecked by the storm on Wednesday, June 25th.

### Parksley.

Miss Sharpley is spending the week in Norfolk.

Miss Stewart has returned to her home in Baltimore.

Mrs. W. W. Wood is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Jno. R. Rew.

Mrs. Mary Sneed, a very estimable and highly respected old lady, died here last Sunday, aged 86 years. She was the widow of Bowdoin Sneed, a revolutionary soldier, and drew a pension because of her husband's services in that war. He died in 1841. Her father and mother were William and Catherine Powell, the latter of whom died in 1844, aged 103 years.

Just received car of white midling, which we offer at \$1.40 per hundred lbs.

## Wachapreague.

Our new Methodist church building has been raised, and is being rapidly pushed to completion.

Mr. Wm. Burton's family has removed to Chincoteague, where they have assumed the management of the Island Hotel. Mrs. Burton has proved herself to be one of the most popular and efficient hostesses on the Shore, and will doubtless command a popular business.

At the last meeting of the Council of Jr. O. A. U. M. the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: A. F. Richardson, C.; J. R. Drummond, V. C.; H. S. Fosque, Jr. P. C.; J. Arthur Winn, R. S.; Wm. J. Brittingham, A. R. S.; John T. Mears, Treas.; T. G. Richardson, F. S.; J. Thomas Powell, W.; J. S. B. Mears, Con.; George J. Hopkins, I. S.; Levin Badger, O. S.; J. E. Mapp, Jr., Trustees.

Our corporation election occurred on Wednesday last. Under the Act the question of "For Incorporation" and "Against Incorporation," was submitted to the voters, the former prevailing by a large majority. The old officers were re-elected without exception, as follows: For mayor, A. T. Mears; for recorder, E. J. Foster; for councilmen, A. F. Richardson, James K. Harmon, E. B. Scarborough, A. S. Kellam and C. V. Willis; M. R. A. Bulman, sergeant.

### Mappsville.

Owing to the unusually cool weather, beach parties are very slow with us in starting this season.

Wm. Abbott, of Wilmington, Del., will move near here in August for the purpose of engaging in the poultry business.

The Mappsville Baptist church will hold a fair July 30th, in the afternoon. Lecture at night. All are invited to attend.

Mr. Dave Abbott and Mr. Wimbrough settled their dispute as to which had the fastest horse last Saturday. Mr. Abbott being the winner.

Our farmers have gotten most of their Irish potato crop off at very remunerative prices. Average crop, about 20 barrels to the barrel planted.

The new cut-off road to Hallwood, just above Mappsville, is now in first-class shape and a great improvement to the lands adjoining. This road was constructed with contributions from farmers and others, who travel it.

### Free Scholarships for Accomac.

I am glad to be able to call attention to the following free scholarships open to the pupils of our public schools in Accomac:

Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Blacksburg, 4, at \$35-\$140; William and Mary College, Williamsburg, 4, at \$30-\$120; Southern Law School, Nashville, 1 at \$50; Washington and Lee University, Lexington, to the Onancock High School, 1 at \$50; Accomac County at large, 1 at \$50; Parksley, 1 at \$50; Chincoteague Island, 1 at \$50; Eastman Business College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., to Accomac County at large, 1 at \$65.

Young men wishing these appointments will send in applications and report at the office of the Superintendent of schools in Onancock, Tuesday, July 23d, at 10 o'clock a. m., when the appointment will be made. If more than one applicant for any one scholarship, a competitive examination will be given. Enclose stamp.

Respectfully,

G. G. Joyner,

Supt. Schools.

### Church Notes.

On July 16th there will be a fair at Hall's Chapel. Supper will be served at a reasonable price. Fruit, cream and confectionaries of different kinds will be for sale. Proceeds for benefit of church. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Rev. Walter Rhodes will preach at Horntown, Sunday afternoon, to the Horntown Council, Jr. O. U. A. M. and Masonic brethren. Sister lodges on Chincoteague Island, Stockton and Pocomoke are invited to attend. By order of Council 133 Horntown.

The Chincoteague Baptist Church will hold a fair and festival in the grove of the church Wednesday, July 23rd. If the weather is bad, it will be held the next day. Preparations have been made to make the occasion most enjoyable one and everybody is asked to attend. Ice cream, confectionaries and light supper will be served.

### Produce Exchange Meetings.

A meeting of the Oak Hall division of the Exchange will be held at Oak Hall village, Saturday, July 5th 2:30 p. m.

A meeting of the Parksley division of the Exchange, by order of the general director, will be held at Parksley, Saturday, June 13th, 3 p. m.

### Camp-Meeting.

Wattsville Methodist Protestant Church will hold a Camp-meeting beginning July 26, and hold over two Sundays. The privileges of board tent, confectionary-stand and horse-pod will be sold on the ground, near the church, on Saturday, July 12 at 2 p. m.

J. M. Yingling, Pastor.

We have on hand 1,000 bushels corn, white or yellow, for sale.

D. H. Johnson & Son.

I will sell at cost the following goods: Lawns, calicoes, gingham, white goods, dimities, worsted and dresslinings.

E. A. Bloxom,

Onley, Va.

Besides a full line of goods at the 5 and 10 cent store, we can sell you very cheap organs and pianos.

M. A. Bullen,

Pocomoke City.

## BOARD OF FISHERIES.

Next Monthly Meeting to be held at Accomac C. H., July 23, 1902.

Pursuant to an order made by the State Board of Fisheries of Virginia, at a regular monthly meeting held on the 4th day of June, 1902, notice is hereby given, that the next regular monthly meeting of the Board will be held at Accomac Courthouse, Virginia, Wednesday, July 23, 1902, at which time and place the Board will determine whether or not there be grounds which should be declared barren areas and opened for the purpose of planting oysters thereon within the limits of the Baylor Survey on the Eastern or Ocean side of Accomac County, as provided, through an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved April 3, 1902. And whether or not the Baylor Survey on the Eastern or Ocean side of said county should be so readjusted as to include therein any omitted natural oyster rocks, as provided through an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved April 2, 1902.

The foregoing matters will be determined by hearing the evidence of persons who are of opinion, that there are barren grounds within said limits which should be assigned under the provisions of the aforesaid Act, and likewise, will hear the evidence of those who are of opinion, that there are no barren grounds which should be assigned for oyster planting purposes under the provisions of said Act. And in like manner, the Board will determine whether or not the Baylor survey should be so readjusted as to include therein any omitted natural oyster rocks under the provisions of the act aforesaid.

Upon the determination of the foregoing matters in the manner herein provided, should the Board decide, that there are grounds subject to the provisions of either of said acts, all applications properly made will be considered.

By order of the State Board of Fisheries.

S. F. Miller,

Secretary.

## Peninsula Fair Stake Races.

The stake races, offered by the Peninsula Fair Association at Tasley, Va., have a fine lot of entries as a reward for the enterprise and push shown by the management. There were very few horses on the "Shore" in training and others must be induced to come on some terms. Could they make those terms? They did. They made them. As a result, they hope to show the finest horses and best contested races ever witnessed at a country fair. The most liberal offer generally gets the best article. Horse racing no exception. \$500.00 in a single race is big money. One such race each day suggests liberality. Four such races with probably \$2,500 in addition to the purse stakes is startling. But then when one puts his hands to the plow he can't look backward. To falter and waiver invites failure, to advance and surmount obstacles means success. The first place must be occupied by some one. It is just as easy to lead as it is to follow and much more inspiring. Of course there will be feeble imitators. All good things have their. Success of others makes them bold and reckless. They rise, flourish for a day and disappear forever.

However, no matter how grieved one may be, he has not the time to sorrow over others' failures. The world is full of them and they are falling over each other for who shall finish last. After all the people is the jury and it is up to them to decide. There is no appeal from their decision. It is their Fair at their own price and they know it. They have tried this one and they like it. If you have money to experiment with others, do so, but if you are any ways short you had better go where you know you can get the most for your money.

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## Presiding Elder's Appointments.

Onancock—July 5, 6.  
Onley and Andrew Chapel, Andrew Chapel—July 4, 7.  
Keller, Oak Grove—July 12, 13.  
Pungoteague, Craddockville—July 13, 14.  
Wachapreague, Wachapreague—July 14.  
Bloxom, Thomases—July 26, 27.  
Drummondtown and Locustville, Drummondtown—July 27, 28.

The following persons were selected and appointed as State Students (colored) from Accomac county to the Virginia Normal and Industrial Institute at Petersburg, Va., Monday, June 30th.

Lottie Sarah Davis, age 17, Modestown; Maggie E. West, age 16, Pungoteague; Julia E. Mapp, (alternate) age 16, Nantux.

Respectfully,

G. G. Joyner, Supt.

On and after July 5th, we will make cut prices on ready-made clothing. We have large line and they must go at some price. If you will come and see us we will sell you a suit.

D. H. Johnson & Son.

Write to us for estimates on door, sash, blinds, stair-rails and all other kinds of building material, hardware paints, &c. Stock large, prices low. Mr. R. D. Fletcher will be at Accomac C. H., the first day of every County Court, to receive orders for the firm.

Cape Charles Ice & Lumber Co.

We have ear of the best flour direct from the mills which we will sell for \$4.50 and guaranty every barrel. If not satisfactory money refunded for any part of barrel that is returned.

D. H. Johnson & Son.

I will sell at Atlantic next Thursday and Friday, July 10th and 11th, for the practice of my profession.

Dr. W. A. Taylor,

Dentist.

## Reply to Citizens.

Mr. Editor—A vehement, and rather remarkable letter by "Citizen," has found place in the last "Enterprise" backed up by an editorial from the Editor himself. These articles are very misleading unintentionally, we hope, and not only work injustice to all concerned, but are well calculated to disturb the public mind, and stir up some prejudice among a large class of our citizens. The writer evidently has not studied the law, and the subject dealt with, as he should.

It seems to be therefore only proper and right that the public mind should be set right as to the matter with which he attempts to deal. Now what are the facts? Let me state them briefly, and let the people judge as to how far "Citizen's" lack of correct information has carried him from a correct statement of facts. It is well known that the Baylor Survey on the sea-side was grossly inaccurate; that much oyster rock was inadvertently omitted, and considerable areas of planting ground accidentally included, and this applies to some extent to the whole sea-side. It is also a well known fact, that the oystermen have been quick to take advantage of these mistakes, large areas of natural rock having thereby fallen into the hands of planters, while conversely there are still lying numerous areas of barren bottom upon which oysters have never grown, locked up in the lines of that survey, and while the planters are vainly seeking for more ground upon which to plant. This fact may be entirely new to "Citizen" but there is not a sea-side oysterman in Virginia to whom it is not well known. The Legislative Acts, which your correspondent has misinterpreted, provide simply a carefully regulated method to remedy this condition as it can now be done, and to bring some measure of relief to the oystermen. These bills were recommended by the Board of Fisheries and have twice before the last session, been introduced into the Assembly under their patronage and endorsement, not only for the sea side, where the mistakes are especially glaring, but for the whole tidal water section. They provide that where any area of public rock was left out of the Baylor Survey, the Board of Fisheries at its discretion should have the power to set it aside for public use, provided it had not been already assigned; and conversely, that barren ground yielding no natural growth, if the area embraced at least 50 acres, might, at the discretion of the Board be taken out of the Baylor Survey for planting purposes.

The exact language of the Act is as follows: "After such investigation and examination as they deem proper, said Board shall determine whether said ground naturally grows oysters in sufficient quantities to make the taking of the same profitable to the practicing oystermen in the manner that such oysters may be lawfully taken, and whether the same contains natural rock, bed or shoal, so that oysters can catch in such quantities, and if said Board shall determine that 50 contiguous acres or more, does not naturally grow oysters in such quantities and does not contain natural rock, bed or shoal in such quantities and ought to be leased out for planting purposes, said Board can lease &c."

These are the facts and the public will see how nearly "Citizen" has approached a correct statement in his effort to enlighten the public mind as to the matter in question. He seems to lose sight entirely of the manifest object of the bill, and its purpose to protect and defend the public rights and privileges. There is no oysterman in Virginia who is not jealous of our natural rocks, and who has not found fault with the inadvertence or negligence that turned them out of the survey. There is no oysterman on the sea-side who does not admit that there are numerous areas of barren ground and unprofitable to the public, that should not have been included in that survey, and that for the benefit of the planters, and the revenues of the State, should be made available for planting.

Now let us see, "Citizen" to the contrary, how carefully this attempt to correct an error that has been overlooked and guarded by the law. First, no area within the Baylor survey could possibly be leased out for planting purposes unless it contained 50 contiguous acres of barren ground and unless there are no natural rocks, unless the error of the survey was gross and palpable. The Board was stopped in the beginning from taking note of it. The Board was required personally to inspect the ground and after having done so, it was only at their discretion and in their judgment that it could be leased at all. They are supposed to be the guardians of the rights of the oystermen and were created to do justice by all classes. Furthermore as a safeguard in the event the Board were in their judgment or mistake, they did not and could not comply with the provisions of the Act, these provisions were made by which the oystermen could appeal to the county court, ask for commissioners to examine the grounds upon its merits, and if it could be shown that the Board had erred in its discretion and judgment, then the order of the Board was to be over-ruled etc. Board was to be over-ruled etc.

Does "Citizen" or any other sane man contend that the Act has failed in any respect to guard the public rights, or that any injustice can possibly be done under such provisions? He made, and he still makes, the Board of Fisheries are so negligent, ignorant or corrupt, that such a duty could not be entrusted to their discretion; and that the Court would not be just or fair enough to protect the oystermen? That "Citizen" ever read the two pages which he has misinterpreted, or gave them a careful study, he thinks, with a correct understanding of the intentions of the bill. Is it not wrong therefore to stir up the public mind and to appeal to the prejudices of men in such way as to excite their fears and influence their passions? That "Citizen" ever read the two pages which he has misinterpreted, or gave them a careful study, he thinks, with a correct understanding of the intentions of the bill. Is it not wrong therefore to stir up the public mind and to appeal to the prejudices of men in such way as to excite their fears and influence their passions?

Respectfully,

S. Wilkins Matthews,

Assawoman, Va.

July 2d, 1902.

## Business Notices.

PUBLIC AUCTION—I will sell at public auction at Onley on Saturday, July 13th inst., household and kitchen furniture, carriage, hogs and other valuable personal property of William D. Tunnell, deceased. Sale will commence at 2 p. m. Terms made known on day of sale.

S. James Tarlington,

Administrator.

FOR RENT—For 1903 three 2 horse farms.

H. T. White,

Bloomtown, Va.

NOTICE—I offer for sale stock of goats and for rent storehouse containing same at Atlantic. Will also rent dwelling, if desired, or will exchange all for farm land.

S. Warner,

Atlantic, Va.

NOTICE—I have for sale one thoroughbred cow, fresh to the pail, guaranteed in every respect. Can be handled by child.

D. H. Johnson,

Parksley, Va.

WANTED—A man to process tomatoes the coming season. He must come well recommended and I will pay good wages to the right man. I prefer a man who also knows how to process sweet potatoes.

Jas. A. Hall,

Marsh Market.

NOTICE—I wish to buy a horse that would come up to the following requirements: Color, dark bay preferred; age, about 5 or 6, a little younger or older would make no difference; weight, about nine hundred pounds. I wish a perfectly gentle horse, one that would make a good saddle horse, and that a lady could drive.

Robt. H. Oldham.

FOR RENT—For year 1903 my house and lot at Accomac C. H., now owned by Mr. John W. Coard. For particulars apply to Mrs. Anna Brown, Accomac C. H., Va.

FOR RENT—For the year 1903, the tract of land near Harborton, known as "Poplar Grove." This farm is in a high state of cultivation, already having land enough improved to plant 100 barrels of Irish potatoes and 200 thousand sweet potato sprouts. Resources abundant and convenient. Buildings excellent. In sight of steamboat wharf at Harborton. None but good tenants need apply.

L. Floyd Nock,

Accomac C. H., Va.